

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2016 2:31 PM
To: HarborComments
Subject: Request to Revise Portland Harbor Superfund Cleanup Plan

Dear Administrator Gina McCarthy,

Greetings, I am a local resident, householder, parent of young children and licensed psychologist who works with the public and at Lewis & Clark Graduate School.

I use the river for recreation as a paddler and swimmer, and would like to fish in the river but do not feel this is safe.

I am writing today to ask you to significantly revise the Willamette Superfund Draft Cleanup Plan in favor of a more comprehensive plan that will work for now -- and the next generation of Portlanders.

Specifically:

The EPA should select Alternative G with additional dredging in areas of high human use, high ecological value, and here there is risk of re-contamination of the river.

EPA should set clearer timelines and understandable metrics for success including setting a date by which Portland Harbor fish consumption advisories will be lifted.

EPA should select an alternative that allows ALL members of our community to eat fish safely from our river, including woman of childbearing age and children.

EPA's cleanup plan should include the heavily contaminated uplands as well as the heavily contaminated river.

My understanding is that the current plan will leave much of the site still contaminated. This is the message I will need to tell my children. This is unacceptable.

I appreciate your efforts thus, and recognize this is a fractious issue. I ask you to strive for the highest standard in the clean up. This will be the best plan now and from the perspective of the future.

Thank you! Dr. Thomas J. Doherty, Psy.D.

Sincerely,

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